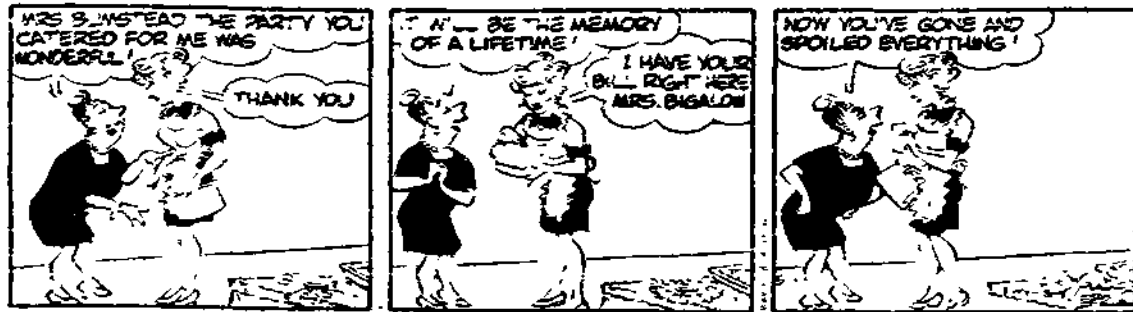


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SALLY FORTH



THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



9 CHICKWEED LANE



ANDY CAPP



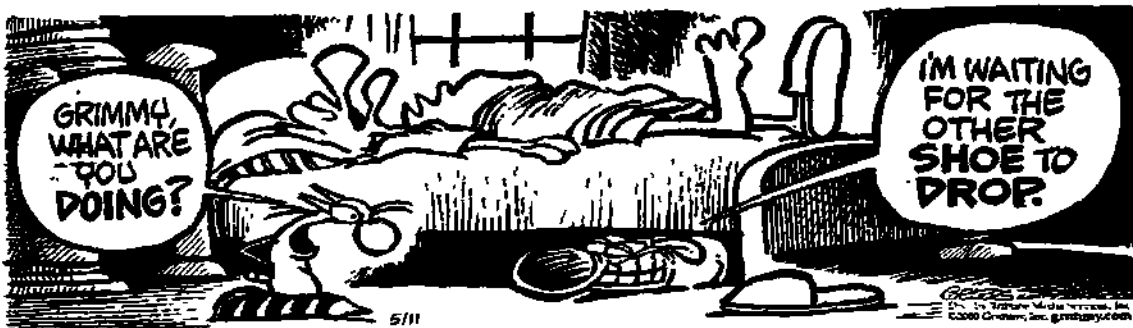
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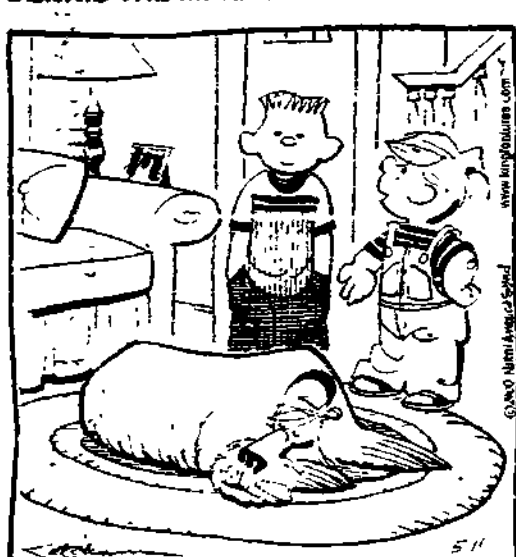
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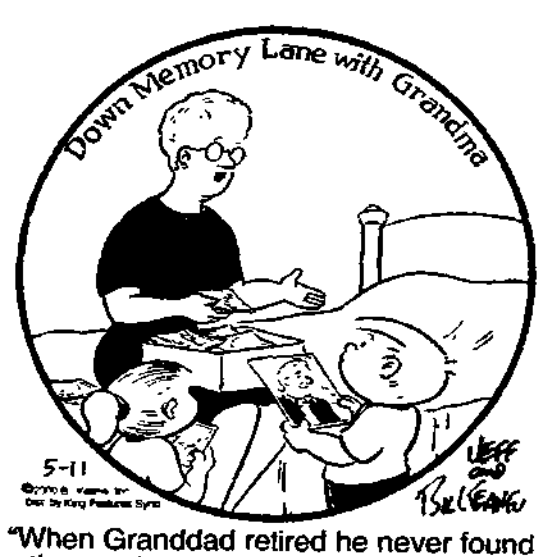
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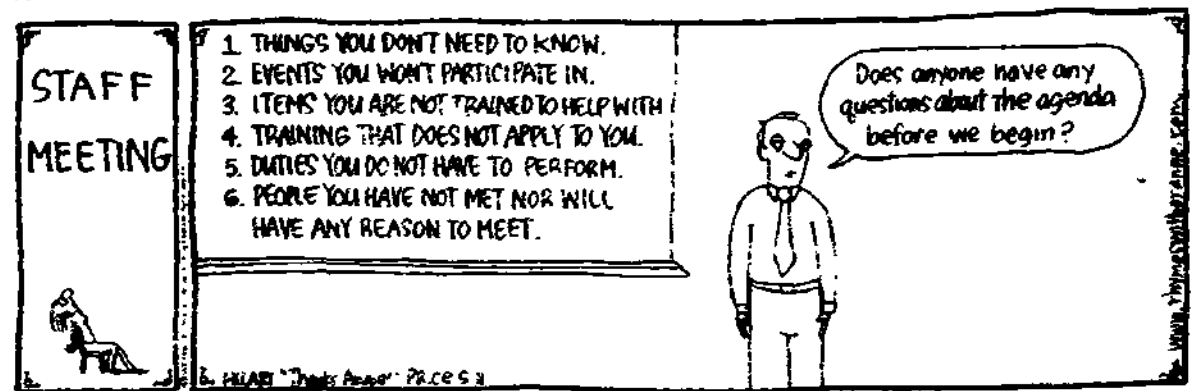
DENNIS THE MENACE



FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



HOROSCOPE

Friday, May 12
ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Do something that you've never dared to do before.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your tolerance is tested as someone insists on pushing you to your limits.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You'll do much better discussing ideas with like-minded people.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Money matters are a concern as the moon moves through Virgo.
LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) You can reach near heights. Just make sure you don't look down while you're making your ascent.
VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) A project goes much better if you organize everything before beginning.
LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Don't worry yourself with the details.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) This isn't the best time to call attention to yourself.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Something good can happen if you let it.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Be very careful when sharing resources with someone.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Thinking about something too much could cause you to lose out on a good opportunity.
PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) Do your best not to get caught up in the drama around you.

RALPH



WORD SLEUTH

BAT LEFT, THROW RIGHT

Z Y U R O K H D Z A E X U Q N
 K H E B Y V S P E M N J H E B
 Y V T Q O W I L L I A M S B L
 R E N R U B H S A R R E B S I
 G E M D R R W R Z B H O G Y W
 A T D O R E U P N M C G K I F
 D B B I H T K Y O W O U S Q O
 M K R T N T I L G B C F D B Z
 X W A E U S I R A M S Q O N L
 J M V H U F D C A W E R A C Y
 W V T S Q P N L K I H F E C B

Wednesday's unlisted clue: SNOW
 Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
 Thursday's unlisted clue hint: WADE
 Abreu, Carew, Maris, Ventura
 Ashburn, Cobb, Matthews, Walker
 Serra, Cochrane, Snider, Williams
 Brett, Gonzalez, Thome
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 For solution, see Classified.

ACES

By Bobby Wolff

South took his diamond king (a noldup would be a poor play) and attacked in dummy's long suit. He cashed his king and queen of clubs, took unhappy note of West's discard, but carelessly continued with another club to dummy's ace. He conceded a club to East's jack, and East knocked out dummy's diamond ace. South countered by cashing dummy's fifth club and taking a winning spade finesse. However, when South's spade ace failed to drop East's king, South was out of tricks. The defenders took the rest, leaving South with only eight winners. South should have overcome the unlucky club break. When West discards on South's club queen, it's time for reappraisal. Instead of leading a third club to dummy's ace, South should overtake his queen to take a spade finesse. When it wins, he concedes a club to East's jack, and East knocks out dummy's diamond ace. After cashing dummy's clubs, South repeats the spade finesse and enjoys a claim for nine tricks.

BRIDGE RESULTS

Bridge Studio: Sunday afternoon, first, Matt Brown, Cameron Ross; second/third, Bill Barrington, Kathleen Young; Bruce Rubin, George Valette; Sunday evening, first, Jane Donn, Bruce Rubin; second, Ron Dewey, Cliff Donn; Monday morning, first, Larry Sunser, Julie Sunser; second, Carl Brown, Claude Henri; Monday evening, first, Julie Bailey, Murray Hall; second, Mary Lou Famulare, Mary Walsh; Tuesday evening, first, Jeff King, Monny Moncrief; second, Bob Winje, Sue Winje; Wednesday evening, first, John Hemmer, Rick Olanoff; second, Cliff Donn, Joe Fortino; Thursday morning Teaching Game: 1 NS, John Beauchamp, Janet Sinclair; 2 NS, Sarah Fiorio, Janet Gillen; 1 EW, Sarah Myers, Helen Simmons; 2 EW, Al Ross, Bob Thurston; Thursday evening, first, Bill Barrington, Peter Leonelli; second, Joe Fortino, Cameron Ross; Friday morning, first, Bruce Rubin, Allene Huntley; second, Janet Sinclair, Millie Albrigo; Friday evening, first, Judie Bailey, Joe Fortino; second, Millie Albrigo, Jim Durr.

Bridge Studio E-Z Bridge Division: Tuesday evening Intermediate Game, first, Kay Mason, Maureen Sager; second, Margaret Ferris, Nancy Sparks; Thursday afternoon Intermediate Game: 1 NS, Barbara Fairbank, Anne O'Connor; 2 NS, Alan Shively, Donna Shively; 1 EW, Patricia Miller, Paul Swarthout; 2 EW, Bill Allen, Mary Jo Allen; Thursday evening Advanced/Intermediate Game, first, Pauline Filsinger, Janet Koelsch; second, Ron Enos, Mike Rich.

Concord Aces: Monday morning, 1 NS, Joan Liddle, Katherine Worthen; 2 NS, Roni Capraro, Joan Shibe; 1 EW, Fran McCarthy, Gerry Wurdinger; 2 EW, Dale Swift, Gene Wurdinger.

Lafayette Country Club Duplicate Bridge Club: Wednesday morning, first, Muriel Herr, Eileen Wayne; second, Lois Meyer, Marcia Rothschild.

Liverpool Duplicate Bridge Club: 1 NS, Jane Hackbarth, Joan Phillips; 2 NS, Betty Burns, Anne O'Brien; 1 EW, Joan Liddle, Alberta McCormick; 2 EW, Bib Letham, Louise Stannig.

Radisson Bridge Club: first, Nancy Noble, Mike Rich; second, Ron Enos, Cameron Ross.

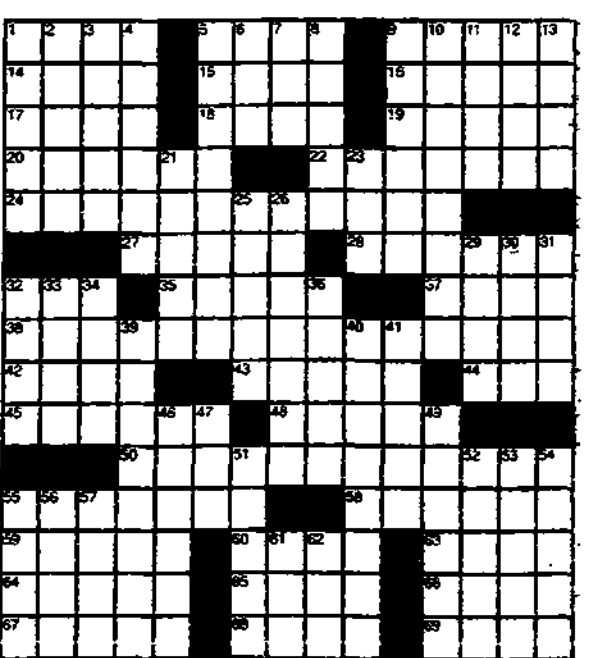
Syracuse Contract Duplicate Bridge Club: Tuesday morning, 99er Game, first, Larry Hart, Nancy Hart; second/third, Sharon Doyle, Carolyn Perry, Isabelle Carter, Jean Steding; Tuesday evening, 99er Game, first, Ken Rose, Pauline Rose; second, Eileen Carolyn, Loretta Leonard; Thursday noon, first/second, Betty Burns, Dot Joiner; Anne O'Brien, Mary Ann Finn; Thursday evening, first, Ron Dewey, Ann Simon; second/third, Barbara Eveleigh, Doug Lyon; Don Miller, Gene Wurdinger.

N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

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ACROSS
 1 Team with a bridge in its logo
 5 Nurses
 9 A hill of beans?
 14 Impertinent one
 15 Prefix with angular
 18 Poker declaration
 17 Nautilus name
 18 Dosage units
 19 Sauce with basil
 20 Worms
 22 SoHo event
 24 ___ stare
 27 Actor Joe of "Hill Street Blues"
 28 Allow
 32 N.F.C. player
 35 Chip feature
 37 Natterjack
 38 ___ verse
 42 I as in Ithaca
 43 Betray, in a way
 44 Suffers from
 45 Beachwear
 48 Large quantities of laughter
 50 ___ check
 55 Strongly advocate
 58 Giant race
 59 Start of a warning for Paul Revere
 60 Cool rapper
 63 Kind of team
 64 Unoriginal
 65 Like some college curricula
 66 "Major" name
 67 Wrestlers' knowledge
 68 "From Here to Eternity" actress
 69 Makes known

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE
 ADOS ESP USABLE
 RUTH ATE SCREEN
 ROBINSON SHINED
 NOTING MOCCI
 RBT SEC ERI HWS
 VASSER THEDA
 ALLCENTURYTEAM
 NEER ART ODAS
 STARTINGLINEUP
 NAILS ONSALE
 SSS TOO OCT LSD
 OPERA RIPKEN
 COGITO WILLIAMS
 KOUPAX ANE MAYS
 SLEETY SET SHOT
 21 Barbizon painter
 Jules
 23 Opponent of
 Wade
 25 Rear for rear
 26 Long time
 28 Two out of two
 30 Superman's
 mother
 31 Breyers rival
 32 Falklands War
 participant
 33 Post-accident
 utterance
 34 Plasm prefix



DOWN
 1 "Hardball" broadcaster
 2 Summer time in Argentina
 3 Title character in Shakespeare
 4 Lampoons
 5 Goes to sea
 6 They average 100
 7 Small boxer
 8 Rope source
 9 Sir Thomas, tea merchant
 10 It gives an athlete an edge
 11 British potato dish, informally
 12 Like un monte
 13 Like off-season business
 36 Cornerstone abbr.
 39 Son
 40 Person with opinions
 41 1993 N.B.A. Rookie of the Year
 46 Bloopers
 47 Theater sign
 49 Things gone awry
 51 Take in
 52 "Bewitched" aurt
 53 Hardly refined
 54 Lady Hamilton and others
 55 Ritzy
 56 Golden rule preposition
 57 Egyptian tomb feature
 61 Cedar Rapids college
 62 Stray

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